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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Tolmie et al.)	Group Art Unit 1723
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Appl. No.	:	09/403,800)	
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Filed	:	February 22, 2000)	
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For	:	OIL FROM WATER SEPARATOR)	
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Examiner	:	Robert Popovics)	
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RESPONSE TO AN OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2001 (Paper No. 11), please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

33. (Amended) An oil from water separator including an oil disengagement chamber adapted to receive an oil and water mixture and retain it for a sufficient time in a relatively undisturbed state whereby oil in the mixture floats to the top of the mixture resulting in a substantially oil free volume of water having a layer of oil derived from said oil and water mixture floating on the surface thereof, said oil disengagement chamber partially separated from an effluent water chamber by an under flow baffle which ducts said substantially oil free volume